GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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EXPORT OF TEA
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of tea exported during the last two years and the current year;

(b) the foreign exchange earned from the said export;

(c) the names of the countries to which tea is exported; and

(d) the extent to which tea is likely to be exported in future?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b): Details of quantum of tea exported and foreign exchange earned during the last two financial years(2002-03 & 2003-04) and the first two months of current financial year 2004-05 (April - May) are as follows:-

Year	Quantity (Million Kgs.)	Value (Rs. Crores)	Value (Million US$)
2002-03	184.40	1665.04	344.05
2003-04	180.43	1552.61	345.02
2004-05 (April-May)	23.05	181.28	40.81

(c): Tea is exported from India to more than 80 countries of the world. The major tea importing countries from India include Russian Federation, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Germany, Ireland, Poland, U.S.A., Canada, United Arab Emirates, Iraq, Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Kenya, Japan, Pakistan and Australia.

(d): The target set for export of tea from India during 2004-05 is 200 million kgs.